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THE

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TOWN TREASURER,

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF AUBURN,

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING MARCH,

1864.

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1864.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

State and County Taxes.

Paid State treasurer,	631 89	
County treasurer,	412 89	
		1,044 69

School Money and Literary Fund.

Paid District No. 1 in full,	40 55	
" No. 2,	64 03	
" No. 3,	116 90	
" No. 4,	61 23	
" No. 5,	75 85	
" No. 6,	62 64	
" No. 7,	73 25	
" No. 8,	63 32	
" No. 3 in Candia,	1 03	
		558 80

Stationery.

Wm. H. Fisk's bill—		
1863. July 3. To 1 blank book for town clerk,	3 40	
Andrew F. Fox's bill—		
1863. March 23 to Feb. 19, 1864. To cash paid for paper, ink, blank books, surveyors' warrants and check lists,	4 22	
		7 62

Support of Paupers.

New Hampshire Insane Asylum's bill—		
To support of John Colby 1 year, ending Jan. 31, 1864,	135 00	
George Little's bill—		
1863. April 28. To support of Alfred Seavy from March 18 to April 8, 1863,	11 78	
B. C. Danforth's bill—		
Sept. 6. To board, nursing and supplies furnished A. Seavy from Apr.8 to Sep. 6, 1863,	75 96	
House of Reformation—		
To boarding, clothing and schooling Ellen Clark from Sep. 24, 1861, to Nov. 24, 1863,	112 86	

S. D. Green's bill—

June 2. To 4 months' rent for house for G. W. Varnum,		18 00

Henry Dockham's bill—

To supplies furnished G. Moore from Oct. 7, 1862, to Oct. 6, 1863,	52 00	
To supplies furnished Molly Moore from Oct. 7, 1862, to Oct. 6, 1863,	44 00	
		96 00

John C. Morrill's bill—

April. To boarding S. F. Nichols 2 weeks,		3 00

Andrew F. Fox's bill—

May 17. To supplies furnished James Dailey,	1 50	
To supplies furnished G. W. Varnum,	5 00	
		6 50

Nathan Plummer's bill—

To medical service for Geo. Moore from Nov. 20, 1862, to Oct. 13, 1863,	12 34	
To medical service for Molly Moore from Nov. 11, 1862, to Oct. 8, 1863,	18 95	
		31 29

Abraham Hook's bill—

Oct. 10. To paid B. Preston for taking care of G. Moore,	2 00	
To setting up with said Moore and procuring watchers,	3 00	
		5 00

J. W. Wilson's bill—

To medical attendance on Alfred Seavy from March 18, to Aug. 28,	43 75

Henry Moore's bill—

To supplies furnished Geo. Moore and Molly Moore, from Aug. 20, 1862, to July 29, '63,	24 00

M. R. Proctor's bill—

July 13. To digging grave and attending funeral of Mr. Conant,	1 50

D. P. Brickett's bill—

To ½ cord wood furnished G. Moore,	1 50

John Murry's bill—

To ½ cord wood furnished G. Moore,	1 50

Benjamin Preston's bill—

Nov. To 8 days' work and washing for G. Moore,	5 00

City of Concord bill—

To support of Alfred Seavy from Oct. 30, '63, to Jan. 29, 1864,	18 00

C. T. Lane's bill—

To taxes on the place occupied by R. Emery,	1 79

Straw & Prince's bill—

July 13. To coffin for N. Conant,	3 75

	John Moore's bill—		
	July 13. To robe for N. Conant,.... 1 25		
	To Londonderry and to Manchester, &c. 3 00		
		4 25	
	Nathan Plummer's bill—		
	To medical attendance on Rich'd Emery's family from Jan. 31 to Feb. 21, 1863, ...	3 37	
	Betsy Webster's bill—		
1864.	Feb. 23. To boarding, clothing and nursing David C. Underhill 47 weeks, ...	47 00	
			650 80

Town Reports.

	J. M. Campbell's bill—		
1863.	To printing town and school reports and warrants, ...	22 00	
	N. K. Harwood's bill—		
	Feb. 26. Self, horse and wagon to Manchester to procure the printing of the reports, ...	1 50	
	March 5. After reports, ...	1 50	
	7. Distributing the same, ...	1 50	
			26 50

Collector's Services.

	Alfred T. Wood's bill—		
1862.	To collecting $2,421 74, a 1½c.		36 32

Superintending School Committee Services.

	Oraman Hunton's bill—		
	To services as committee for 1863 and making report, ...		30 00

Town Clerk's Services.

	Harrison Burnham's bill—		
1863.	To copying invoice and taxes, ...	8 00	
	Recording 25 pages, ...	3 12	
	" 19 certificates, ...	1 90	
	copies of record furnished selectmen, and certificates, ...	2 55	
	Recording births and marriages, and returning same to Secretary of State,.....	3 48	
	Postage and stationery,.....	1 27	
	Marriage certificates,.....	45	
	Revenue stamps, ...	30	
			21 07

School-house Taxes.

	Paid Luther Melvin tax assessed in No. 3,.....		200 00

Improvements on Highways and Bridges.

	William Emery's bill—		
1863.	To labor on highway from March 16 to May 4, and 4 posts,		6 51
	William Vincent's bill—		
	June. To 1 M ft pine plank,		13 00
	T. J. Crombie's bill—		
	Apr. 18. To repairing highway in District No. 9,	9 25	
	Sep. 10 to Oct. 27. Self and hands, do.	32 25	
			41 50
	Charles E. Dudley's bill—		
	Sep. 24. To 135 ft plank,	3 70	
	Apr. 16 to May 5. To repairing road,	5 09	
			8 79
	Richard Hall's bill—		
	Apr. 18. To repairing bridge,	60	
	Sep. To labor on highway,	1 56	
			2 16
	David R. Ball's bill—		
	To labor repairing highway,		7 15
	Joseph Wyman's bill—		
	Apr. To 10 hours repairing roads,		1 25
	George P. Clarke's bill—		
	To 170 ft plank,		1 70
	George G. Griffin's bill—		
1862.	To ½ day's work self and oxen on Campbell's bridge,	1 00	
	To lumber for repairing said bridge,	1 00	
			2 00
	Charles P. Emery's bill—		
	June. To drawing plank from steam-mill and laying them down,	2 25	
	Paid H. J. Varnum for work,	50	
			2 75
	John Heselton's bill—		
	June 1 to Sep. 19. To labor at sundry times repairing highway in District No. 7,		10 49
	N. K. Harwood's bill—		
	April to Sept. 12. To repairing highway,		4 35
	Enoch Watson's bill—		
	Apr. 22 to Sep. 11. To labor, self, hands and oxen at sundry times repairing highway,		10 80
	Luther Melvin's bill—		
	June 10. To 7 lbs. spikes,		42
	Franklin Brown's bill—		
	To 8 days drawing plank and repairing Deerneck bridge,	10 00	
	Credit by old plank,	1 00	
			9 00

	John Ray's bill—			
	Apr. 15 and 28. To 25 hours repairing highway,		3 00	
	Andrew F. Fox's bill—			
1863,	Oct. To 2350 ft 3-inch plank 20 ft long,	32 90		
	Oxen ½ day to draw plank,	62		
	1 stick timber,	2 50		
	2 days' labor on bridge,	2 50		
			38 52	
	George G. Griffin's bill—			
	To 693 ft 3-inch plank,		10 39	
	A. Hook's bill—			
	Apr. 17. To 632 ft chestnut plank,	10 15		
	To drawing plank,	75		
			10 90	
	Stephen Emery's bill—			
	Apr. 13. To 3 hours self, horse and cart repairing highway,	67		
	17. To 5 do.	1 13		
	27. To 2 do.	45		
	Teaming plank,	75		
			3 00	
				187 68

Breaking out Highways.

Paid in District No. 1,	2 88	
No. 2,	3 80	
No. 3,	1 80	
No. 5, for 1862 and '63,	5 85	
No. 6,	1 70	
No. 7,	7 30	
No. 8,	1 80	
No. 10,	3 72	
No. 11,	64	
No. 12, 1862 and '63,	7 30	
		36 79

Non-resident Highway Taxes Worked out.

Paid Enoch Watson in District No. 1 for 1863,	2 35	
Andrew F. Fox No. 3	24 95	
David R. Ball No. 4	8 82	
Franklin Brown No. 5	2 59	
Charles Spofford No. 6	4 01	
John Heselton, No. 7	6 88	
Thomas J. Crombie, No. 9	8 88	
Nathan K. Harwood, No. 11	2 25	
David P. Brickett, No. 12	7 81	
Horatio G. Smith, No. 13	90	
Stephen Emery, Collector, 1863, for sundry certificates of taxes worked out by non-residents,	14 72	
Alfred T. Wood, Collector for 1862, do.	1 38	
		85 54

State Aid.

Paid Mary L. Buswell up to March 1, 1864,	46 00	
Sarah H. Davis "	144 00	
Abbie Hazen, "	144 00	
Lydia Gunnison, "	96 00	
Harriet A. Stewart, "	144 00	
Eveline A. Bean, "	96 00	
Harriet A. Coffin, "	144 00	
Mary A. McDuffee, "	50 00	
Mary J. Sanford, "	144 00	
Margaret Neller, "	30 00	
Ebenezer S. Emery,	8 00	
Rebecca P. Goodwin, to Feb. 7, 1864,	43 00	
Susan D. Platts, to Jan. 29, 1864,	131 00	
Eliza A. Abbott, to Aug. 13, 1863,	65 00	
Sally George, to Aug. 13, 1863,	34 00	
Melvina Bean,	36 00	
Harriet C. Shaw,	17 00	
L. J. Demeritt,	8 00	
		1,380 00

Town Treasurer's Services.

A. F. Fox's bill—

To extra services as Treasurer for 1863,		20 00

Bounty to Volunteers, Drafted Men and Substitutes.

Paid to the order of August Shaffer, James McKew, Edward Haley, Wm. Warren, Henry Cole, Isaac Powell, Patrick O'Neil, Charles Bond, and Chas. A. Varnham, substitutes for Alex. M. Philip, George W. Hall, John N. Cleflin, W. I. Gilbert, Evander G. Preston, Benja. D. Emery, Edward O. Prescott, Chas. H. Patten and Charles H. Merrill, drafted men, $300 each,	2,700 00	
Hugh B. Cochran,	300 00	
James R. Preston and John D. Neller, volunteers, $700 each,	1,400 00	
to and for John Cole, Wm. Clark, William Moll, James Murry, Chas. Deloss, Felix C. Hackney and Frederic Shaffer, volunteers, $585 each,	4,095 00	
to and for Oliver Rinker and Jas. Krotzer, volunteers, one a veteran,	1,260 00	
		9,755 00

Debts Paid.

1863.	Apr. 27.	Paid Andrew F. Fox, note and int.	90 99
	June 6.	Stephen Kimball, do.	104 00
	Aug. 27.	Robert Patten, do.	68 85

	Sept. 7.	Andrew F. Fox, do.	425 58	
	Dec. 25.	George C. Kimball, do.	107 06	
1864.	Jan. 1.	Samuel Jones, do.	321 18	
		" " do.	848 00	
	Jan. 25.	Mary A. Dearborn do.	106 67	
	Feb. 22.	Andrew F. Fox, do.	218 07	
				2,290 40

Abatement of Taxes.

On Oraman Hunton's list for 1861—

Benjamin S. Stewart, in army,	1 90		
George W. Stewart, gone from town,	1 78		
Moses Reed,	1 78		
H. A. Jefts,	2 22		
Calvin Brown,	1 78		
		9 46	

On Stephen Emery's list for 1863—

George Poor, Franklin Shannon, Edwin Plummer, Albert Plummer. John S. Coffin, Leroy McDuffee, Hazen Davis, jr., John Davis, James M. Preston, Benja. S. Stewart, Frank Wood, David H. Bean, Wm. Preston, Joseph L. Davis, Thornton Hazen, Henry C. Moore, Jacob P. Buswell, James M. House, Henry G. Smith, Chas. H. Buswell, Warren W. Davis, Daniel C. Abbott, Geo. B. Sanford, John A. Lougee and Moses Reed, $2 28 each,	57 00	
Hugh B. Cochran, Geo. W. Goodwin, Lewis D. Rowell, John Chase and Henry C. Griffin $3 05 each,	15 15	
George Reed, gone from town,	3 44	
		75 59

On Alfred T. Wood's list for 1862—

Charles F. Shaw, Eben Bean, Jesse Wood, Charles Brown, James Ray, Edwin Plummer, Leroy McDuffee, Alexander Hutchinson, John F. Adams, Hazen Davis, jr., John Davis, Benja. S. Stewart, Ebenezer S. Emery, David H. Bean, Geo. Coult, William Preston, Geo, W. Stewart, Moses Reed, True Crombie, Thomas J. Brooks, Horace Voce, Henry G. Smith, James Heselton, Calvin Brown. and Warren W. Davis, $1 68 each,	42 00	
Alfred P. Severance, paid in Mass.	2 38	
Albert Plummer,	2 38	
Parker & Shirley, wrong tax,	1 82	
Gilman Jaquith,	1 94	
James M. Preston,	2 04	
Adeline Hall, wrong tax,	1 40	
George Reed,	90	
Mathew T. Leighton,	1 40	
Mathew Dickey,	09	
Freeman Tuttle,	2 00	
Edward P. Offutt, wrong tax,	1 94	
		60 29
		145 34

Miscellaneous Bills.

	Luther Underhill's bill—		
1863.	May 29. To damage to horse, caused by a defect in a bridge, as awarded by Selectmen,		55 00
	Pike Chase's bill—		
	Aug. 27. To use of vestry for town purposes for 1862,		15 00
	A. F. Fox's bill—		
1864.	To cash paid for rev. stamps on notes of this date,	3 20	
	Paid J. G. Cilley, interest on note,	46 00	
	Samuel Jones, do.	13 95	
	Geo. S. Neal, C. F. Warren and Joseph Kennard, do.	100 00	
	Aug. 11. To interest on $300 for 3 months,	4 50	
	$200 for August,	1 00	
	Oct. 5. Paid City Bank, int. on $500, 1 mo.	2 75	
	26. " Samuel Jones, interest,	75	
	Dec. 16 and 17. Paid prem. on greenbacks,	44 50	
	Jan 18. Interest to Joseph Kennard,	55	
	Paid for rev. stamps for town,	5 72	
	" for postage,	60	
			223 47
	Marvin R. Proctor's bill—		
1863.	To taking care of the village hearse house and burying ground 1 year,		3 00
	S. D. Sherburne's bill—		
	July 1. To keeping in repair a public watering trough 1 year,		2 00
	James Watson's bill—		
	To care of hearse house for 1863,		1 00
	Hazen Davis's bill—		
	To keeping in repair a public watering trough for 1863,		2 00
	Stephen Emery's bill—		
	To self, horse, wagon and expense paying soldiers' dependents.	1 75	
	Paid for recording non-resident tax,	4 00	
	Cheney's express,	50	
	To 6 dinners and horse baiting for Selectmen,	1 50	
	To service and expense on Hunton case, by order of Selectmen,	13 60	
			21 35
			322 82

Selectmen's Expense.

	Andrew F. Fox's bill—		
1863.	To use of horse and sleigh and horse and wagon on town business, from March 6, 1863, to Feb. 23, 1864, 35 times,	27 00	
	Expense,	3 75	
	Paid expense while taking invoice,	2 25	
	Cheney's express,	1 00	

C. F. Livingston, Printer, Manchester.

Mr. Isaac Hoyt

The Taxes assessed against you in the Town of AUBURN, for 1864, are committed to HENRY DOCKHAM for collection, and are as follows:

STATE, COUNTY AND TOWN TAX, ... $16,52

SCHOOL TAX, ...

SCHOOL-HOUSE TAX, ...

Received Payment.

Collector.

AUBURN, New-Hampshire, June 1, 1864.

	Apr. 25 and May 13. To 8 dinners and horse-baiting for Selectmen,	2 00	
	Aug. 31 and Sep. 4. Car fare and expense to Concord	3 35	
	Sep. 5. Car fare and exp. to Portsmouth,	3 00	
	14 and 16. Paid S. N. Bell for advice,	2 00	
	Nov. 23. Car fare and exp. to Concord,	2 25	
	June 26. Do. do.	2 00	
	Dec. 21 and Feb. 15. Expense at Selectmen's meetings,	3 00	
	Jan. 28. Car fare and exp. to Portsmouth,	3 00	
	Feb. 19, 20, 22. To 15 meals and horse baiting for Selectmen,	3 75	
			58 35
	E. M. Leavitt's bill—		
	To use of horse and wagon and horse and sleigh on town business, from March 14, 1863, to Feb. 20, 1864, 19 times,	10 00	
	Dec. 7. Dinner and horse baiting,	65	
	Paid S. N. Bell for advice,	2 00	
			12 65
	Abraham Hook's bill—		
	To horse and wagon and horse and sleigh on town business, from Apr. 29, 1863, to Feb. 22, 1864, 18 times,	12 00	
	Apr. 1 to 18. Expense while taking invoice,	1 65	
	27. Horse and wagon and exp. to Webster on pauper business,	4 50	
	July 22. Horse, wagon and expense to Webster on pauper business,	4 37	
	Sep. 5. Car fare and expense to Portsmouth,	2 75	
	Oct. 20. Do. do.	2 75	
	Dec. 7. Do. to Manchester,	45	
1864.	Jan. 6. To 1 dinner and horse baiting,	50	
	16. Paid Melvin for wood,	25	
	23. To horse, sleigh and exp. to Concord and Fisherville on pauper business,	3 50	
			32 72
			103 72

Selectmen's Services.

	Andrew F. Fox's bill—		
1863.	March 6, 1 day distributing accounts,	1 00	
	14. ½ day on town business,	50	
	1 day preparing invoice book,	1 00	
	20. 1 day to Reform School,	1 00	
	Apr. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6. 5 days taking invoice,	5 00	
	2 days copying do. &c.	2 00	
	12 and 18. 1½ days on town business,	1 50	
	Apr. 24, June 9, July 15, Aug. 18, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 2, Dec. 12, Jan. 6, Feb. 23. To 9 days paying soldiers' dependents,	9 00	

Apr. 29. 4½ days making taxes and return to State Treasurer,	4 50	
May 7 and 8. 2 days copying and distributing surveyors' warrants,	2 00	
13, 16, 27. 3 days making taxes, collector's book, &c.	3 00	
Aug. 10. Making warrants for town meeting,	25	
Aug. 31 and Sep. 4. 2 days to Concord,	2 00	
Sep. 3, 5 and 10. 2½ days on town business,	2 50	
Oct. 3, 10. 1 day do.	1 00	
17. Attending juror meeting,	50	
Nov. 16. 1 day on town business,	1 00	
17. Making warrants for town meeting,	50	
23 and Dec. 4. 2 days to Concord,	2 00	
Dec. 7. 1 day borrowing money for town,	1 00	
21, Jan. 16, Feb. 15. 3 days settling accounts,	3 00	
Jan. 7. 1 day to Manchester,	1 00	
19. Attending juror meeting,	50	
26. 1 day to Concord for State bounty,	1 00	
28. 1 day to Portsmouth to return assignments,	1 00	
29. 1 day on town business,	1 00	
Feb. 11. 1 day to Manchester,	1 00	
16 and 19. 2 days preparing Treasurer's account,	2 00	
20. Making check lists and warrants,	1 00	
22. Settling with Selectmen and Collector,	1 00	
Preparing accounts for press,	2 00	
25. 1 day with Auditors,	1 00	
		56 75

E. M. Leavitt's bill—

1863. March 14. ½ day on town business,	50	
Apr. 6, 8. 2 days taking invoice,	2 00	
25, 27, 29. 3 days making taxes,	3 00	
May 13 and 16, Aug. 27, Sep. 2 and 16. 5 days on town business,	5 00	
Oct. 10, 17 and sundry times on do.	2 00	
Nov. 17. Putting up warrants,	1 00	
Dec. 7. 1 day to Manchester, borrow money,	1 00	
21 and 26. 2 days on town business,	2 00	
28. 1 day do.	1 00	
Feb. 15 and 20. 2 days on town business,	2 00	
22. 1 do. do.	1 00	
25. 1 day with Auditors,	1 00	
		21 50

Abraham Hook's bill—

1863. March 14. ½ day on town business,	50	
Apr. 1. 4 days taking invoice,	4 00	
27. 2½ days to Webster,	2 50	
29. ½ day on town business,	50	

May 2. 1 day to Derry,	1 00	
16. ½ day on town business,	50	
July 23. 2 days to Webster,	2 00	
Aug. 10 and Sep. 2. 1 day on town business,	1 00	
Sep. 5. 1 day do.	1 00	
29 and Oct. 3 and 8. 2¾ days do.	2 75	
Oct. 10 and 16. 1 day do.	1 00	
20. 1 day to Portsmouth after pauper money,	1 00	
Dec. 3 and 10. 1½ days on town business,	1 50	
15. ½ day do.	50	
21 and Jan. 16 and Feb. 15. 3 days settling accounts,	3 00	
Jan. 23. 2 days to Concord and Fisherville,	2 00	
Feb. 16 and 19. 2 days to Manchester,	2 00	
20 and 22. 2 days on town business,	2 00	
25. 1 day with Auditors,	1 00	
		29 75
		108 00

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Town of Auburn in account with A. F. Fox, Treasurer, Dr.

Paid State and County taxes,	1,044 69	
School money and literary fund,	558 80	
Stationery,	7 62	
Support of paupers,	650 80	
Town reports,	26 50	
Collector's services,	36 32	
Superintending School Committee,	30 00	
Town Clerk's services,	21 07	
School house taxes,	200 00	
Improvements on highways and bridges,	187 68	
Breaking out highways,	36 79	
Non-resident taxes,	85 54	
State aid,	1,380 00	
Town Treasurer's services,	20 00	
Bounties to soldiers,	9,755 00	
Debts paid,	2,290 40	
Abatement of taxes,	145 34	
Miscellaneous bills,	322 82	
Selectmen's expenses,	103 72	
Selectmen's services,	108 00	
Service and expense of Auditors and expense of Selectmen,	5 00	
Balance in the treasury,	282 03	
		17,298 12

Town of Auburn in account with A. F. Fox, Treasurer, Cr.

Balance in the treasury March, 1863,	94	
Received of the town of Chester for Clothing,	6 50	
State Treasurer, Literary Fund,	71 82	
" State aid,	1,411 30	
" Bounties to volunteers,	1,100 00	
County of Rockingham,	162 55	
O. Hunton, collector for 1861, in full,	40 00	
A. T. Wood, collector for 1862, in part,	568 01	
Stephen Emery, collector for 1863, in part,	2,400 00	
Borrowed of Mary A. Dearborn,	200 00	
Hannah Moulton,	85 00	
John Ray, jr.,	90 00	
Stephen Pingrey,	100 00	
H. B. Burnham,	650 00	
Pike Chase,	350 00	
Esther Goldsmith,	40 00	
Ephraim K. Rowell,	125 00	
Robert Patten,	150 00	
George W. Hall,	300 00	
Hugh B. Cochran,	300 00	
Manson M. Brickett,	62 00	
Abby M. Brickett,	38 00	
Pike Chase,	197 00	
George S. Neal,	2,000 00	
Charles F. Warren,	2,000 00	
James R. Preston,	600 00	
John D. Neller,	500 00	
Salome Burnham,	100 00	
Joseph Wyman,	50 00	
Hidden Brown,	200 00	
Samuel Jones,	3,400 00	
		17,298 12

ANDREW F. FOX, *Town Treasurer.*

STATEMENT.

The town of Auburn owes the following notes—

Abby S. Osgood's note and interest	to Feb. 19th 1864,		144 52
Hidden Brown,	"	to March 3d, 1864,	202 52
	"	to March 4th, "	229 21
	"	to Feb. 28th, "	102 13
	"	to Feb. 18th, "	406 79
	"	to Feb. 28th, "	112 92
	"	to Feb. 22d, "	200 00
Robert Heath,	"	to Feb. 16th, "	108 65

Hannah Moulton, note and interest	to Feb. 15th,	"	216	24
Hosea B. Burnham, "	to March 5th,	"	215	18
Jonathan Ballou, "	to Feb. 23d,	"	86	49
Sarah Chase, "	to Feb. 18th,	"	107	06
Robert Hills, "	to Feb. 12th,	"	266	32
Mary A. Dearborn, "	to Feb. 18th,	"	210	00
Hannah Moulton, "	to Feb, 20th,	"	89	25
John Ray, jr., "	to Feb. 27th,	"	94	50
Stephen Pingrey, "	to Feb. 27th,	"	103	00
Hosea B. Burnham, "	to March 3d,	"	666	25
Pike Chase, "	to March 3d,	"	358	75
Esther Goldsmith, "	to March 3d,	"	41	00
Ephraim K. Rowell, "	to March 5th,	"	128	12
Robert Patten, "	to March 10th,	"	153	75
George W. Hall, "	to March 10th,	"	307	50
Hugh B. Cochran, "	to March 10th,	"	307	50
Manson M. Brickett, "	to March 10th,	"	63	55
Abby M. Brickett, "	to March 10th,	"	38	95
Pike Chase, "	to March 3d,	"	123	83
"	to March 3d,	"	76	12
George S. Neal, "	to March 7th,	"	1,015	00
"	to March 1st,	"	1,010	00
Charles F. Warren, "	to March 7th,	"	1,015	00
"	to March 1st,	"	1,010	00
James R. Preston, "	to March 10th,	"	609	00
John D. Neller, "	to Feb. 15th,	"	505	00
Salome Burnham, "	to Feb. 21st,	"	101	00
Joseph Wyman, "	to March 1st,	"	50	50
Samuel Jones, "	to March 1st,	"	3,434	00
			13,909	60

Due from the State, State aid,	1,098 00	
the United States, 1st installment of bounty,	682 00	
A. T. Wood, collector for 1862,	46 92	
Stephen Emery, collector for 1863,	747 00	
Balance in the treasury,	282 03	
		2,855 95
Balance against the town,		11,053 65
There will be due from the United States if the men do not desert, to be paid in installments, about		2,740 00

ANDREW F. FOX,
E. M. LEAVITT,
ABRAHAM HOOK, } *Selectmen of Auburn.*

AUBURN. February 25th, 1864. We the undersigned hereby certify that we have this day examined the foregoing account of the Selectmen and Town Treasurer, and find the same correctly cast, with proper vouchers for the several charges, and we recommend the town allow the same.

MARVIN R. PROCTOR,
JAMES B. HUNTING,
AMHERST EMERY, } *Auditors.*

SCHOOL REPORT.

The following is the report of the Superintending School Committee for the year ending March, 1864.

District No. 1.

Summer Term.—Miss Lizzie S. Hazelton, who is young, but has a taste for teaching and is well fortified with confidence and a strong disposition to make her mark, with some additional experience and a judicious application of her best qualities, she will be able to perform a large amount of labor in the school-room with accuracy and profit.

Winter Term.—Mary A. Fifield. It has been the aim of this teacher to do a thorough work; not so much to excel in the *amount* accomplished, as to make a *sure grasp* upon whatever was undertaken, and I am happy to be able to bear testimony to her faithful labors to this end, and to the very creditable degree of success that has attended them. Order, good with some slight exceptions.

District No. 2.

Summer Term.—Miss Sarah F. Plummer, Teacher. She was thoroughly prepared to pursue the calling of a teacher with success; her influence over her pupils has been most salutary; gentle and affectionate in her manner, she has secured their affections, but maintained a degree of order well suited to schools of this class. At the examination the general appearance of the school was highly satisfactory.

Winter Term.—Mrs. C. L. Osgood. Mrs. Osgood had taught the school the previous winter, and possessed the advantage of

knowing the wants and acquirements of the pupils, which enabled her at once to commence her work successfully; she was well fitted for the situation, and entered arduously upon her work, and the result has been a successful school. The aim of the teacher was to have the school make some perceptible addition to the stock of knowledge they had already acquired. At the closing examination the appearance of it was such as to receive the approbation of the committee. The reading was clear and distinct, and with sufficient voice not to mar the other good qualities. The spelling was good, and made interesting by the manner in which it was conducted, and the care taken to every syllable. The classes in geography, which embrace nearly all the school, were generally familiar with the ground gone over, and sustained a good examination.

District No. 3.

Both the summer and winter terms were taught by Miss N. M. Crombie, who has been long and favorably known in town as one of our most successful teachers, and no report will be expected or desired of her school more commendatory than that of previous years. Her success the past season has been in no degree inferior to what has given gratification heretofore. Order, application to study, and thoroughness in recitation have usually been noticed as characteristics of her school. There were present to witness the final examination of both summer and winter terms, a goodly number of visitors. Good improvement was made. The second class read with excellent effect. The reading of the first class was less meritorious; several in this class could not be distinctly heard for the lack of sufficient voice, or rather, as appeared more probable, an indifferent use of their vocal powers. Progress in arithmetic very good. The writing-books had been neatly kept. The exercise in spelling was very pleasing and meritorious.

District No. 4.

Summer Term.—L. J. Hunton, Teacher. This school is favorably situated to profit by the labors of faithful and competent teachers, and should rank, as it does, among the first in town. While the number of scholars is such as not to burden the teacher

for want of time, there are enough to awaken ambition and energy in competition for excellence of attainment, and no element seemed wanting to secure the general harmony of the school, and favorable results to all its members.

Winter Term.—Miss Isabella S. Perry, Teacher. The teacher did not abate any of her interest or devotion to her work, but years of experience enabled her to know what a teacher should aim to accomplish, and to address herself successfully to that end. The condition of the school has been such as to reflect credit upon the the teacher, the pupils, and the parents mostly of the district; for I would not overlook the influence which parents ought to have in determining the character of a school. An examination was had at the close of the term, evincing good improvement by the pupils in their several branches. The examples given to be worked on the black-board were completed and explained; all the recitations were entirely satisfactory to the committee. The singing and speaking, too, were animated, and the large company of visitors were apparently highly pleased with the exhibition.

District No. 5.

Summer Term.—Miss M. A. Neal, Teacher. *Winter Term.*—Miss L. J. Hunton, Teacher. In this district there has been a good school throughout the year; indeed, there is always a good school here, as the children attend for the purpose of study, and at home are taught to regard the teacher's requirements as they do their parents'. The improvement in all branches of study pursued during both terms, has been marked, and both teachers and the committee are happy to believe that some good has been done. At the examination of both terms the general appearance of the school was highly satisfactory; in view, therefore, of the year, the committee congratulates the parents and friends of the children upon the high degree of prosperity which it has enjoyed.

District No. 6.

Miss. L. A. Morrill, Teacher. To those who have visited this school during the year, or were present at the closing examination, a written report must seem dull indeed, for the quietness of the school-room, the prompt and energetic answers, and the wide-

awake interest manifested by the children on the occasion, cannot be embodied in a report. The success that attended her efforts in the summer was such that left no room for doubt in regard to her future in this school, and therefore her services were secured for the winter term, and I am pleased to say that our most sanguine expectations have been fully realized. Miss Morrill seems to possess those traits of character so desirable in a teacher, that attract and win the affections of her pupils, and therein lies the power by which she is able to hold such complete yet gentle control over them.

District No. 7.

Miss L. A. Proctor, Teacher. Miss Proctor has taught this school during the summer and winter terms. Well and faithfully has she labored for its improvement, and full and abundant are the fruits of her labor. We have seldom known so marked a change in any school in scholarship, in deportment, in punctuality of attendance, and in all that constitutes merit in the teaching and training of youth, as, through her energy, faithfulness and devotion to her calling, both within the school-room and without, has been here developed, and which has taught the parents of this district to know that despite the disadvantage of a changing population,—and my former apology for a poor school,—in this district, by employing a good teacher, and an encouraging word from parents, they may enjoy the advantages of a superior school. At no time, in the opinion of the committee, has this school appeared so well as at the last closing examination.

District No. 8.

Miss Sarah A. Ball, Teacher—summer and winter. The school during the year has been marked by nothing unusual. The school is small, and the studies pursued only those which are embraced in the common course, but a teacher of active mind and a disposition to work, finds sufficient labor, as every pupil requires some aid at the teacher's hand, and will usually advance according to the attention shown; and I will only add that the labor of the present teacher, so far as is known to the committee, has been performed

to the satisfaction of the district. The writing-books had been well kept, and several good specimens of the art were noticed. The winter term is still in progress.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The public schools of this town rank among the most important concerns of the town. No cause awakens a more general interest throughout our borders than that of education. By the fireside of the humblest citizen, as well as in the councils of legislation, it is the ever fruitful theme that engages serious thought and commands a ready sympathy. Whatever affects the welfare of our schools is sure to be felt in the most vital interests of the public, and in proportion as they are improved by an intelligent public policy, or suffered to decline through neglect, will the community be certain to reap the good or evil fruits of the course pursued toward them. The school committee believes that the day when argument might have been necessary to impress the citizens of Auburn with a sense of their high responsibilities in this regard, has gone by. I am happy in the conviction that no burden is more cheerfully borne, and that no trust commends itself to more universal favor than that of the public schools.

Notwithstanding the past year has been one of great embarrassment in consequence of the distracted condition of the country, and the unusual drain upon our resources, which has laid all classes under contribution to support the government and to preserve our institutions as well as our firesides from the hand of treason, still there has been little complaint and less reluctance to maintain the same generous policy towards the public schools that had formerly characterized the town. I hope we have seen and felt the darkest period of this civil war; we may, therefore, look forward with confidence for the support of our schools, and therefore be worthy of the good name which the town has hitherto borne. Whatever fortunes may await us in the field, or whatever reverses may prepare the way for the ultimate success of our arms, we shall cherish the conviction that we have yielded to no temptation or unworthy

motive to deny the public schools their just claims, and upon this field we may count upon certain victory; a victory, before which ignorance disappears and light goes forth as from an unclouded sky. Before leaving this thought it is proper to advert to the fact which the detailed reports of the several schools present, viz: that while some of them have been more successful than others, I invite your attention to their reports, which have been carefully prepared, with a view neither to shield the faults of teachers, nor to magnify their merits, but to give such information as the citizens of the town have a right to expect from the school committee; and on the whole, if some one may chance to think that our schools have not attained to that high order that we have a right to expect, in order to distribute the fault in the most equitable way. I suggest that teacher, parents, pupils and school committee all agree that the party without sin shall cast the first stone, and that all, jointly and severally, resolve to go and sin no more.

It has often been said that the annual report furnishes no just view of the actual condition of the schools that are mentioned therein, and sometimes honored with an extended notice. It is a difficult, perhaps a dangerous task, to attempt to represent the comparative merits of the different schools of a town like Auburn. If stars differ from each other in glory, any one can see that schools, having different localities, being made up of different materials, and subjected to home influences as various at least as the diversity of light among the stars, and moreover, without a uniform system of instruction in respect to text books, teachers and length of term, would be likely to differ very materially. No one can better understand these shades of differences than the visiting committee, and if they have sometimes failed to indicate all they may have deemed essential to the public good through fear of injuring the sensibilities of the faithful but inexperienced teacher, or wounding the pride of some over-sensitive district, the detailed report of the present year, hereby submitted, it is believed will be found an improvement in this regard.

To judge correctly of the character of our schools, we must not compare them with a model school in our own mind, but must take all things into consideration. Their comparative condition can only be ascertained by considering the conveniences of the school-

room, the amount of money expended, the time the teachers are retained, and the interest which the parents take in the prosperity of the schools. We cannot expect good schools without the hearty co-operation and sympathy of the public; and again, a short term with a competent and wide-awake teacher, is much better than a *long term* with an *incompetent* and *unfaithful* teacher.

In closing this report, allow me to suggest the want in many of our schools of *Outline Maps.* Geography, as has been truly said, is one of the most useful and practical of the sciences, but to render this study more pleasing and interesting, Outline Maps are indispensable. We should remember that law of intellect, that "the objects of sight more readily become the subjects of conception and memory, than those of the other senses, and the more distinctly they are seen the more lively the conception and the more lasting the impression on the mind."

O. HUNTON,

S. S. School Committee of Auburn.

Statistical Table.

TEACHERS' NAMES.	District.	No. of scholars between 4 and 16.	Whole number attending school.	Average attendance.	Instances of tardiness.	Instances of dismissal.	Wages of Teacher per month, including board.	Length of schools in weeks.	No. of scholars not absent ½ day.
SUMMER TERM.									
Miss Lizzie S. Hazelton,	1	24	24	20	80	27	$10 88	8	3
Miss Sarah F. Plummer,	2	19	19	17	31	2	15 00	8	5
Miss Nancy M. Crombie,	3	38	40	34	45	20	18 00	8	8
Miss L. Jennie Hunton,	4	22	24	18	63	17	15 00	10	1
Miss Mary A. Neal,	5	22	22	21	3	1	17 00	10	11
Miss Lizzie A. Morrill,	6	17	18	16	1	2	13 40	9	7
Miss Loduska A. Proctor,	7	26	26	22	134	34	15 00	8	3
Miss Sarah A. Ball,	8	19	19	14	15	8	14 00	7	3
WINTER TERM.									
Miss Mary A. Fifield,	1	24	24	20	163	13	$16 00	8	1
Mrs. C. L. Osgood,	2	27	30	26	81	9	18 00	10	8
Miss Nancy M. Crombie,	3	41	51	38	179	22	22 00	12	4
Miss Isabelle S. Perry,	4	20	24	21	74	65	18 00	10	4
Miss L. Jennie Hunton,	5	25	27	22	59	31	18 00	15	4
Miss Lizzie A. Morrill,	6	20	22	19	3	1	16 60	7	12
Miss Loduska A. Proctor,	7	27	28	22	98	45	17 00	7	2
Miss Sarah A. Ball,	8	...	...	...	...	...	.	..	..

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